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Mr. Michael D. Shumway
3180 Spanish Trail Dr.
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Dear Mr. Shumway:

Re: Reclamation of Waste Dumps at the Thornburg Memorial Mine,
M/019/006, Grand County, Utah

I appreciate you taking the time this past month to meet with me and discuss the problem of reclaiming the waste piles at the Thornburg Memorial Mine site. I have sent the soil samples, I took, off for analysis, and expect the results in 3-4 weeks. I also spoke with Jeff Robins of the BLM's Grand Resource Area Office. Some of his suggestions sound promising.

Mr. Robins suggests ripping and scarifying the material then mulching and seeding. He indicated that he would visit the site in the near future and get back to me with an evaluation.

I will wait until I get the soil analysis back and hear from Mr. Robins before making any further decisions. Tentatively, I plan to ask you to try one more attempt at seeding and amending the material this fall. Lowell Braxton has indicated to me that with one more planting, we might be able to release your bond, also this fall of 88, along with your commitment to file a Small Operators NOI on the remaining 3.3 acres at the Thronburg Memorial site.

Sincerely,

Holland Shepherd
Reclamation Soils Specialist

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cc: L. Braxton
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